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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6th/December, through Sunday, 13th/December there were 215 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, CY0, D2, DL, DU, E4, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FT/x, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, JA, JD/m, JD/o, JT, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PZ, S0, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TN, TR, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VR, VU, XE, XX9, YA, YB, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

3B8, MAURITIUS

Eric, OE4AAC, will be active as 3B8HD from the beach in Flic-en-Flac, Mauritius (AF-049),

between February 11th and March 1st (2016). Activity will be holiday style, mostly on CW, and on 40-10 meters using Kenwood TS480HX with a Smartuner SG-230 into a Wire Trap Vertical for 30/40m, and elevated radials. QSL via OE4AAC, by the OE-Bureau or direct (Please include SAE, 1 GS for Europe, 2 GS for Overseas. Valid IRC also welcome). Log will be uploaded to OQRS.

3D2, FIJI

Udo, DL9HCU, is once again active as 3D2HC from Nadi, **Viti Levu Island (OC-016**, WLOTA 0055), for the next few weeks. He was heard this past week on 20 meters (14183 kHz at 0603z) on the ANZA DX Net. He usually runs QRP on 30-15 meters on CW. QSL via DL9HCU, by the Bureau or direct.

4X, ISRAEL (WFF Op)

Members of the Holy Land DX Group will activate the callsign 4X4WFF from Avdat, a UNESCO World Heritage Site in the Negev Desert in southern Israel, between December 25-26th. This is a first time activation, and the operation counts for the Israel National Parks Award (4XFF-004) and a Holy Land Square (E28BS). Operators mentioned are Shalom/ 4Z4BS, Mark/4Z4KX, Ruben/4Z5FI, Yulik/4X6HP, Ros/4Z5LA, Vlad/4Z5IW, Art/ 4X4DZ and Jan/4X1VF. The group will have two stations running using CW and SSB on the WFF frequencies. QSL only via IK2DUW. For more details about Avdat, see:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Avdat

CO90, CUBA (Special Event)

Members of the Federación de Radioaficionados de Cuba (FRC) and Grupo DX de Cuba (GDXC) will celebrate the 90th anni- versary of the IARU by activating CO90IARU until December 31st. Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. Those stations who work CO90IARU in 5 different bands, no matter the modes, will receive a Digital certificate. The interested should send their log with the data to: **gdxc@frcuba.co.cu** QSL via W3HNK.

CORRECTION TO OPDX.1243 (OOOPPPSSS!!)

If you did not catch it, the heading titled "HB0, SWITZERLAND" should have been labeled "HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN". This was a senior moment by the editor.....

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS (Update)

Magnus, SM6WET, will be active as E51WET from both **Aitutaki Island (OC-013) and Rarotonga Island (OC-083)** between December 14th and January 9th (2016). Most of the activity will be from Aitutaki Island. His islands' schedule are as follows:

> **December 14-17th -- Rarotonga Island (OC-083) December 17th-January 4th -- Aitutaki Island (OC-013) January 4-9th -- Rarotonga Island (OC-083)**

Operations will be on 160-6 meters (pending limited property and tropical cyclones allow) using CW, SSB, RTTY and JT65. Excess luggage donations info is on QRZ.com. QSL via his home callsign.

FT4X, KERGUELEN ISLANDS (Update)

Nicolas, F4EGX, is now active as FT4XU from a scientific mission at Ratmanoff, 30km

northeast of Port-aux-Français, on Kerguelen Island for a few days (until December 15th). However, he will be back and his operation will possibly end maybe in the middle of January 2016. Activity was heard on 20 meters SSB around 14128 kHz between 1630- 1730z. He states that he is using a "FT857, 50W and a dipole antenna which can only be installed at human height, battery powered." There will be no PC for logging, only paper log. Logs won't be upload, and there is no internet connection. Their camp has no electricity. QSL via F1ULQ.

H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS

"The Daily DX" reports that operators Tom/WL7HP (H44TM) and XYL Maggie/H44MK are in **Guadalcanal (OC-047)** until February 16th (2016). Activity will mainly be by Tom on 40/20/17/15 meters using SSB. Look for both operators to be active from three different outer islands. QSL H44TM and H44MK via WL7HP.

IOTA NEWS

NA-057. Tom, N9EAW, is now active as HR9/N9EAW from **Roatan Island** until December 20th. Activity will be on 20 meters using SSB. QSL via his home callsign.

SA-071. (Update) The ZY2QG operation from **Queimada Grande Island [Snake Island]** (DIB SP-17 [NEW!]) and lighthouse (DFB SP-11, ARLHS BRA-086, WLOTA 0242) has been postponed again (possibly to January). See QRZ.com for more details and updates.

IRON HAM WW CONTEST (By the ARAUCARIA DX GROUP [ADXG])

Oms, PY5EG, reports: "Due the high congestion of contests during all the year long, we didn't find a date for our Iron Ham Contest. We are studying the possibility to co-organize a three mode contest with some other entity around the world and then establish a convenient date for it. So this year we are not going to have our Iron Ham Contest. I express our best thanks for the support us in our previous edition."

J7, DOMINICA

Dave, WJ2O, will be active as J7/WJ2O from Secret Bay between February 17-23rd. Activity will be on 160-6 meters, but with a concentration of CW only on 30/17/12 meters. He will also be in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 20-21st) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via N2ZN.

K5P PALMYRA DXPEDITION NEWS (Press Release #5, dated December 7th)

Palmyra 2016 Update!

In about a month, the Palmyra Team will be as- sembling in Hawaii on the first leg of their journey to Palmyra and our excitement is growing!

Palmyra ranks in the top ten of the Most Wanted List and #2 in Europe! As with major DXpeditions, there has been a change of plans due to unforeseen events. Based on the original award received in January 2015, a Team of 12 operators was assembled.

The air charter is provided by our host, The Nature Conservancy, as part of the award. Earlier this year, the air strip was decertified and as a result the aircraft type had to be changed to allow access to the Palmyra. The aircraft selected will only seat 9 persons, which is a major change of plans for the DXpedition.

Several alternate options were examined but were unsuccessful. It was with great pain that three of the operators stepped back from the Team to allow the DXpedition to proceed.

All equipment has been received, being pretested and packaged for ship- ment to Hawaii. The Team plans on leaving Hawaii for Palmyra on 11th January 2016 and being active from 12th January through 25th January.

Future Palmyra Atoll activations may not happen for many years, as access is severely restricted. Permissions to operate on these rare and extremely controlled locations are very difficult to obtain. We wish to thank The Nature Conservancy and the US Fish and Wildlife Service for their cooperation and support. Without this, K5P Palmyra2016 would not occur.

Check the K5P Palmyra2016 web page for future updates, propagation predictions and donation page. http://palmyra2016.org/

73, Lou N2TU
Craig K9CT

OF9, FINLAND (Special Event -- Merry Christmas from Finland)

Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following press release on December 7th: From the Offices of Santa Claus --

> **IT IS THIS WONDERFUL SEASON AGAIN REGARDS FROM THE LAND OF SANTA** --
> Season's Greetings from Santa's broadcasting arm, OF9X (Old Father Nine Xmas) --
>
> As in so many years in the past, the OF9X station will beam the message of Christmas and help Santa Claus, OH9SCL, start his journey to bring Yuletide cheer to children worldwide. This is actually the 30th anni- versary of OH9SCL appearing from the Arctic Circle and getting our children and ourselves tuned to the spirit of Christmas on radio waves.
>
> This year the activity is organized by the Radio Club of Artic Circle, OH9AB, and the Radio Club of Pusula, OH9W, and supported by Radio Arcala, OH8X.
>
> The station OF9X will be active from December 10-28, 2015, on all bands, including 472 kHz.
>
> The elves at OH9SCL are: Rami/OH3BHL, Ynsky/OH9KL, Kimmo/OH9MDV and Juha/OH9MM. QSL OH9SCL via OH9AB.
>
> **http://www.oh9ab.com/oh9scl**
>
> Those dozen radio elves at OF9X are: Jyri/OH2KM, Niko/OH2GEK, Pertti/OH2BEE, Arto/OH2KW, Pauli/OH5BQ, Pekka/OH2TA, Era/OH2CV, Rami/OH2BCI, Martti/OH2BH, Veijo/OH6KN, Kim/OH6KZP and possibly Arttu/OH2FB, a junior elf of 12 years, will also have a crack at running a pileup and would like to make SSB QSOs during the Christmas weekend.

QSL OF9X through ClubLog at OF9X / QRZ.com or via OH2BH All proceeds and donations will be forwarded to the Finnish Red Cross for their Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF).

P5, NORTH KOREA

The latest word is that Dom, 3Z9DX, is expected to travel to North Korea sometime before Christmas to continue talks with government officials. He will be bringing his equipment into the country this time to prepare his activity in January/February 2016.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (December 14-20th)

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Dec/14th AN      Dec/17th  AN     Dec/19th  AN
Dec/15th HN      Dec/18th  AN     Dec/20th  AN
Dec/16th AN
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SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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 NORMALITY                GEOMAG       K Values    Alpha
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AN  - Above Normal        Quiet        K=0-1       0-7
HN  - High Normal         Unsettled    K=2         8-15
LN  - Low Normal          Active       K=3         16-29
BN  - Below Normal        Minor Storm  K=4         30-49
DIS - Disturbed           Major Storm  K=5         50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9       100-400
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REALTIME BAND CONDITIONS WEB SITE http://www.bandconditions.com:
The purpose of this experimental Web site is to provide 24-7-365 actual (REALTIME) band condition information to CW QRPp, QRPe and CW/SSB for Contesters interested in increasing their scores. It can also be of benefit to other Radio Amateurs to determine band conditions for Nets and casual QSO's. This information is NOT based on any software pre- dictions or any kind of satellite based readings. It is based on a new Ionospheric sounding method called "HF Ionospheric Interferometry" which operates very similarly to the PolSAR system used by NASA.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (December 13th) www.qslinfo.eu

"Sorry No Data This Week -- PC Problems - Blue Screen" de Lothar, DL1SBF

(e) eQSL only (d) direct only (B) Bureau only (*-B) DX's- Bureau
(O) OQRS only (C) ClubLog only (L) LoTW only

CO8TW via info on QRZ.com. Juan, CO8TW, was active in this past weekend's ARRL 10 Meter Contest as Single-Op/Low-Power)/Mixed-Mode (CW/SSB) entry.

TX3X LoTW/QSL CARD STATUS:
- Not in Log and busted call inquires have been researched and answered. If you did not receive a reply to an inquiry please send only one E-mail to **k5gs@pdxg.net** with the details of the

missing Q.

- Several "Not in Log" callsigns were reported to be found in the logs of other DX-peditions or a Cuban Special Event station that were active at the same time as TX3X.

- The complete log will be uploaded to LoTW in May, 2016.

- Individuals that donated to the project at any time, your LoTW was uploaded.

- OQRS PayPal requests are processed daily, please allow 24 - 48 hours for LoTW upload.

- If you made a donation or processed an OQRS using PayPal and are missing an LoTW send an e-mail to **k5gs@pdxg.net**. All others, please wait for the complete log to be uploaded.

- Direct cards should be mailed to the address in the United Kingdom as shown at **TX3X.com**. Those who send direct cards - your LoTW will be uploaded when we enter the contact information into the system. QSL requests received with insufficient funds will be sent via the Bureau.

- We're finalizing the QSL card design and will send to the printer by December 18th. Cards will be mailed from the UK in January.

- We hope to see you at Visalia, Dayton or Friedrichshafen.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Happy New Year -- TX3X Team

QSLS RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 3W3MD, 5B/UR5MID, A61QQ, DF7FC, EA3DW, GM4UQG, OK1IVU, PJ6/G3TXF, **PJ7PK (NA-247)**, RA3QK, RW0CR, SP4R, V73D, VK9WA, SV1NJW, TI9/3Z9DX and UT3RS

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: A35JP, A35JP/p, CU2KG, KL7NWR (NA-070), S79SP, TI9/RA9USU, V6WW, XR3MIN, XR8MIN, **YB8RW/5 (OC-106), YB8RW (OC-146), YB8RW/p (OC-208), YB8RW/p (OC-209), YB8RW/p (OC-210), YB8RW/8 (OC-222), YB8RW/p (OC-236), YB8RW/3 (OC-237), YB8RW/3 (OC-250), YB8RW/p (OC-271), YB8RW/p (OC-272),** Z21MG and Z60A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 5V7TH, 6V7T, 8Q7KP, 9J2BO, 9M2CNC, AM01AUM, AM01HS, AM01YQ, AM04ZK, AM490ZK, AP2ARS, CU7MD, E30FB, E51HDJ, E51XIW, EA8AH, EF4HQ, EF0JC, FG4KH, FM/F2VX, FR/F5MNW, FS/K9EL, FW5JJ, G4RRA, H2Q, HC2AO/8, HC2RCT/8, IT9PQJ, **JW9JKA (EU-927)**, OH2BH, OJ0X,ON10EUROA, PJ4/KU8E, PJ5/K6NAO, PJ5/OL8R, PJ7PT, PJ7RV, PP1CZ, PT0S, SX5KL, T33A, TK/F2YT/P, TM15RPC, TM24H, TM35AMRA, TM35O, TM36CDXC, TM42FM, TM80OIS, TO5A, TX5K, V5/DK1CE, V63GW, VK9CZ, VK9GMW, VU7AG, Z81X and ZZ80P

T8, PALAU

Kazuo, JR1UBR, will be active as T88AB from the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on Koror Island (OC-009) between now and December 15th. QSL via JR1UBR, direct or by the Bureau. For more details about the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room), see:

http://www.palau-radio.com/index.php?page=rr2014

T8, PALAU

Ryosei, JH0IXE, will once again be active as T8CW from the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on Koror Island (OC-009) between December 24th and January 7th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY, JT65 ad PSK31. QSL via JA0FOX by the Bureau, JH0IXE direct, LoTW or eQSL. He now has a Web page at:

http://t8cw.idou.net

T8, PALAU (Update)

Six JA operators will be active from the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on **Koror Island (OC-009)** between January 7-14th. Operators mentioned are Mike/JA6EGL (T88SM), Hirotaka/JA6KYU (T88HS), Yas/JA6UBY (T88RR), YL Miyoko/JO3LVG (T88MK), Ichy/JH7IPR (T88UW) and Tsuneaki/JI6BFF (T88TK). Activity will be holiday style on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the operators' instructions.

T8, PALAU

Hirayuki, JA9FIO, will be active as T88UC from the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on **Koror Island (OC-009)** between January 21-26th. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign direct.

T8, PALAU

Katsuhiko, JE6DND, will be active as T88HK from the VIP Guest Hotel (Free Radio Room) on **Koror Island (OC-009)** between January 29th and February 2nd. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via his home callsign

direct. **V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS (Update)**

David, K1KA, will be active as V47KA from Calypso Bay, St. Kitts (NA-104), between February 2-25th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands and 6 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and JT65. QSL via his home callsign, direct or LoTW.

V5, NAMIBIA

Dietmar, DL3DXX, will once again be active as V5/DL3DXX between December 17-28th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a focus on the lowbands using mostly CW. QSL via DL3DXX.

VK0EK DXPEDITION NEWS (Heard Island)

The latest update dated December 9th, is titled "EXPEDITION FACILITIES ARE PACKED AND SHIPPED". Read the complete news release with pictures at:

http://vk0ek.org/2015/12/09/expedition-facilities-are-packed-and-shipped

The expedition is scheduled to begin in early March 2016, and end in late April. You can see the current status of the project on the main website **www.heardisland.org**, and on the blogsite

www.vk0ek.org.

VK9C, COCOS ISLAND

A team of VK6s are planning a DXpedition to Cocos Island during a two week period between September 20th and October 4th, 2016 (inclusive). They planned the operation to coincide with the CQWW DX RTTY Contest, and also the SSB voice segment of the 2016 Oceania DX competition. They plan to have about 8 operators (mainly from VK6). The current team consists of:

Allen Lawrence, VK6XL, DXpedition Organizer
Onno Benschop, VK6FLAB, DXpedition Media Manager
Steve Chamberlain, VK6IR, Propagation Co-ordinator and QSL Manager
Martin Hunter, Logistics support

For more details and updates, see: **http://dxpedition.itmaze.com.au**

VP9, BERMUDA

Steve, KU9C, who participate in this past weekend's ARRL 10m Contest as KU9C/VP9, will be active until December 14th. QSL via KU9C.

YJ, VANUATU (Update)

Robert, DL7VOA, will be active as YJ4AO from the Eratap Beach Resort, Port Vila, **Efate Island (OC-035**, WLOTA 1051), between December 27th and January 13th (2016). Activity will be holiday style mainly on CW during the evening and night hours (maybe some SSB, no Digital). Equipment is an Elecraft K2 plus a borrowed amplifier with about 500 watts into a 10m pole with vertical dipoles on 10/12/15/17/20m and groundplanes for 30m and 40m. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau. Robert states that this will be a special DXpedition celebrating his 40th birthday, 10th wedding anniversary and 25th anniversary on the air (a little late because it was already in 2013).

He adds, "For this reason I obtained the special callsign YJ4AO which is a reminiscence to my very first callsign Y24AO. My wife and I always dreamed of visiting the South Pacific only once in our lifetime, and we are very happy to be able to do this trip now, so I ask everybody to understand that I spend some time with my wife with usual holiday activities like snorkeling, etc.... instead of conducting a 100% DXpedition." More detailed information (including a link with exact GPS coordinates) can be found on the QRZ.com Web site at:

http://www.qrz.com/db/YJ4AO

VY0, CANADA (Nunavut Territory On HF). [Update] 2016 Worked All NCDXA "RST" Stations

A Special Event Covering All of Northern North America!

Members of the North Country DX Association (NCDXA) will be active in February and March 2016 from several different locations in Alaska, Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut Territory using KL7RST, VY1RST, VE8RST and VY0RST to further promote Amateur Radio up north. This is a first for the north- a joint-venture KL7, VY1, VE8 and VY0 special event! All modes 6-160 meters and WARC bands are permissible. SWLs are welcome

to partici- pate. The object is to work or log (SWL) as many NCDXA "RST" stations as you can from their different locations. Work/log each "RST" station only once per their QTH/band and mode. For a wildcard, Portable "RST" Stations will also participate and are worth 3 points each/mode and band but must be the "RST" stations mentioned above! The portable stations must be out- side their own prefix to count (ie-KL7RST/KL7 does not count but KL7RST/VY1, VY1RST/KL7, VY0RST/VE8 etc. do). Watch the DX spots as they plan to have stations on from Whitehorse, Yellowknife, Anchorage, Fairbanks, and many other cities (maybe an Alaskan glacier or two!). QSL Manager is K7ICE. KL7YK is LoTW administrator for Alaska, VY1MB for Yukon and VY0CF for Nunavut. Optional full color certificates are also available (email - for details) for working/hearing any of the "RST" stations. (QSLs printed by KB3IFH)

SPECIAL EVENT DATE: February 15th (0001z) through March 27th (2359z), 2016

EXCHANGE: NCDXA "RST" stations send signal report and QTH (ie. - 5x7 Anchorage, 5x9 Whitehorse etc.). Receiving stations send signal report and state, province or country.

CERTIFICATE LEVELS: Beautiful full color certificates are available for working/logging:
(1) One or two NCDXA "RST" station (s),
(2) any KL7RST, VY1RST, VY0RST or VE8RST, but must work one of each
(3) for those more competitive (keep in mind the scoring is for certificate levels and this is not a contest), a highest score category. Certificates are different scenery shots from up there for each level.

Scoring example: K7QRM works KL7RST in Anchorage on 10m SSB, 10m CW, 15m SSB and 40m CW for his Anchorage total of 4 points. K7QRM works KL7RST at Matanuska Glacier on 10m SSB and 12m SSB for his Matanuska Glacier total of 2 points. K7QRM also works VY1RST in Whitehorse on 10 SSB, 15m digital, 40m CW and 30m CW for 4 points. K7QRM also works VE8RST in Yellowknife on 10m SSB and 20m SSB for a total of 2 points. K7QRM also works VE8RST in Hay River on 10m SSB for 1 point total. K7QRM's grand total points are the city QSO sum of 13 points (plus any wildcard points). Handwritten or PC generated certificate applications are acceptable. First, 2nd, 3rd etc. places will be awarded. Certificate deadline is May 15, 2016.

As a bonus, pending snow depth and weather, they may also have KL7RST and VY1RST on together from the border of Alaska and the Yukon on the Alaska Highway. That has got to be another first for the north! A special QSL and certificate will be available for the border op. Thanks in advance for your DX spots!
73 de "Yukon John", KL7JR

Z6, KOSOVO (Press Release)

Wayne, N7NG, sent out the following press release on December 10th:

THE KOSOVO AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION JOINS THE INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR RADIO UNION -- The secretariat of the International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) released a note to their member societies today announcing that The Kosovo Amateur Radio Association, SHRAK has been voted into IARU membership. SHRAK represents the Amateur Radio community of the Republic of Kosovo. With a long history dating back to the days of the former Yugoslavia, SHRAK was reconstituted on September 12, 2012, when an Amateur Radio service was launched by the Kosovo government.

You may send your congratulatory note to SHRAK President Vjollca Caka (YL), Z61VB, and welcome her new IARU member society to our ranks.

ZL9, NEW ZEALAND SUBANTARCTIC ISLANDS (Update/Rare IOTA)

Operators Cezar/VE3LYC, Bob/KD1CT, Stan/SQ8X and Craig/VK5CE will be activating a rare/new IOTA, **Antipodes Island (OC-286P)**, possibly between January 7-11th. This will be the first time anyone has ever activated it. The callsign will be ZL9A. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB, with two stations running around the clock. Team Antipodes is pleased to announce that Johan, PA3EXX, has joined the team as their Pilot Station. QSL via VE3LYC, by the Bureau or direct.

This operation will count under the new DXCC entity name "New Zealand Subantarctic Islands" (the old name - Auckland and Campbell Islands [ZL9]) for DXCC purposes. A Web page has been activated to provide more details and help collect funds for this operation at:

http://iotahunter.org

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OPDX WORLD-WIDE WEB HOME (provided by John, K8YSE (**k8yse@papays.com**):
http://www.papays.com/opdx.html

ALSO VISIT THE NORTHERN OHIO DX ASSOCIATION'S WEB HOME PAGE:
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